

March 3, 2020

Senator Lee Heider, Chairman Senate Resources and Environment Committee Idaho State Capitol 700 W. Jefferson St. Boise, Idaho 83702

RE: ISA support of HB 544

Chairman Heider and Committee Members,

Thank you for the opportunity for the Idaho Sportsmen's Alliance (ISA) to comment on House Bill 544.

ISA supports House Bill 544. ISA also supports the expansion of pheasant hunting for more hunters in more areas. We believe in Fish and Game's expansion of the pheasant program to more areas, including leased properties and private land where appropriate and with permission. We have worked closely with legislators and have consulted with the IDF&G on this legislation. ISA believes this legislation will expand access and opportunity for sportsman in Idaho to enjoy pheasant hunting. It is also an opportunity for sportsman, IDF&G and landowners to work together with written permission from the landowners involved.

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Thank you for your time and the opportunity to comment on this important issue. If you have questions, please reach out to me at (208) 569-8032.

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Thank you for the opportunity for the Idaho Sportsmen's Alliance (ISA) to comment on House Bill 545.

ISA supports House Bill 545. We believe in Fish and Game using best available science in setting seasons for tundra swans. We also believe this will provide additional opportunities for hunters to have access to species in Idaho that they can currently enjoy in other surrounding states. We have worked with the IDF&G on this legislation, and we believe it will expand access and opportunity for sportsman in Idaho.

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